REMARKS

The application has been amended to place the application in condition for allowance at the time of the next Official Action.

A new title is provided to address the title objection noted in the Official Action.

The objection to the Brief Summary of the Invention is respectfully traversed. Specifically, MPEP §608.01(d) provides that the Summary of the Invention should be consistent with the subject matter of the claims. Neither this section nor any other section of the MPEP or the Rules is understood to require that the Brief Summary of the Invention not contain claim language.

In addition, applicant asserts that for the 37 pages of the specification set forth, the approximately 4-1/2 pages covering the Summary of the Invention are sufficiently brief since there are no specific guidelines (such as those requiring an abstract to be no more than 150 words and in a single paragraph) relating to the length of the Summary of the Invention.

Claims 1-25 were previously pending in the application. Claims 2, 4, 11, 15 and 18-25 are canceled, leaving claims 1, 3, 5-10, 12-14, 16 and 17 for consideration.

Claims 1-3, 6, 8 and 9 are amended to remove the single means recitation to address the 35 USC §112, first paragraph rejection noted in the Official Action.

Claims 1-25 are rejected as anticipated by ADAMS et al. 6,457,030. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent claims 1, 10 and 14 are amended and provide that the data conversion unit 1) determines whether conversion is supported by the terminal device, 2) deletes contents not supported by the terminal device, 3) converts contents supported by the terminal device, 4) determines whether the contents are image data, 5) determines whether the constraint information exists in a storage unit, 6) converts the contents when the constraint information exists, and 7) returns the contents to a protocol conversion device without conversion when no constraint information exists.

A flow chart detailing the operation of the system including the above-noted steps is shown in Figure 2 of the present application, for example.

ADAMS et al. in Figure 1B, Step 604, for example, teach removing or reformatting elements having respective priority values that are below a threshold. Specifically, column 8, lines 15-32 of ADAMS et al. teach assigning a priority to each of the elements that make up an HTML file. ADAMS et al. make the decision to display elements on a portable terminal depending on the priority value of the elements.

Accordingly, each of the elements of ADAMS et al. appears to be supported by the terminal device of ADAMS et al. ADAMS et al. do not make any determination of whether an item is

supported or not; rather ADAMS et al. assign a priority to each element and then makes a decision on whether to display each element. ADAMS et al. also do not disclose or suggest the functions of the data conversion unit as recited in each of claims 1, 10 and 14.

As the reference does not disclose that which is recited, the anticipation rejection is not viable. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.
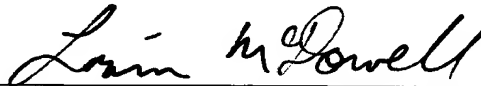
Claims 3, 5-9, 12, 13, 16 and 17 depend from one of claims 1, 10 and 14 and further define the invention and are also believed patentable over ADAMS et al.

In view of the present amendment and the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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